


REMARKS

The Examiner rejected claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The Applicant has corrected the deficiency noted by the Examiner. The Applicant therefore submits that the claim now complies with the second paragraph of § 112.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-2 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Koch. The Examiner rejected claims 1-2 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Shapiro. The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Klickek. The Examiner has indicated that claims 4, and 6-8 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 8. Newly added claim 35 incorporates the limitations of claim 4. Newly added claim 41 incorporates the limitations of claim 6, and newly added claim 45 incorporates the limitations of claim 7. The Applicant submits that the claims are now in condition for allowance. Allowance of the claims 1-7, 9-15, 35-47 at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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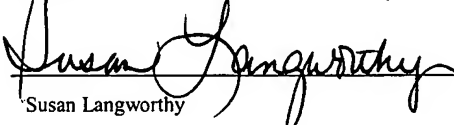
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